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THIS IS THE TIME OF YEAR WHEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STARTS TO HEAT UP IN EAGLE MOUNTAIN.

This year is no exception despite COVID-19 and an economic slowdown.

Currently there are several small projects in the works and at least one large project looking to come to Eagle Mountain. Though this would be good news generally, it is especially so at this time when we are hoping to make an economic rebound. These projects provide reliable jobs both during the construction phase and after. With more people working in the city it helps promote a thriving local economy which in turn brings other businesses. In addition, these companies pay taxes that improve city services and reduce the tax burden on homeowners.



Mayor Westmoreland

We have found these companies to be good partners in the city- helping to support local groups, schools, and small businesses. Facebook has donated large sums of money to the Eagle Mountain Chamber of Commerce to be issued to our small businesses in the form of grants. In the most recent grant awards, Facebook donated \$200,000 to Eagle Mountain businesses.

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Contact the City

www.eaglemountaincity.com

1650 Stagecoach Run
Eagle Mountain, UT 84005

Utility Bills:

Report an Issue:

Request Records:

Business Licensing:

Sheriff/Fire Dispatch:

801-789-6609

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For a fast-growing city like Eagle Mountain, infrastructure- particularly roads, water, power, and sewer, have always been a concern. Partnering with these companies helps to bring these improvements to our city without any cost to residents. With more robust infrastructure, consistent and reliable services are better assured and our overall quality of life improves.

As Utah eases COVID-19 restrictions, we are ready to move forward with plans for a strong local economy, both now and in the future.

I know a good number of our residents are having to adapt to hardships brought on directly or indirectly by COVID-19 or government restrictions in response to it. During these challenging times, Eagle Mountain stands out because our businesses, city staff, and residents have come together to resolve issues, assist others, and take positive action to meet those challenges.

If Eagle Mountain were a business, we could measure our success by our profit margin. Though we try to run the city like a business when it comes to efficiency, productivity, and planning, our wealth and profit is not measured in dollars. Our wealth is measured in the economic, physical, and emotional wellbeing of our residents.

As we build our economy, we are also making plans to improve our parks, trails, and open space. We want to make sure that outdoor recreation remains a significant part of our culture. You may have noticed that people travel here from other areas to enjoy our parks and trails. It is nice that we have these amenities for our residents to enjoy but when others will travel to use them, that is a solid indicator that we are on the right track.

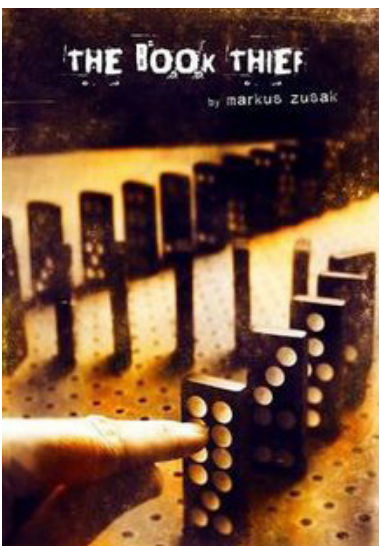
None of us are perfect and setbacks will happen but as we consider the big picture, Eagle Mountain is on a winning course, and that benefits everyone.

Mayor Tom Westmoreland

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MAYOR'S BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

“The Book Thief,” by Markus Zusak. First published in 2005.

The plot follows Liesel Meminger as she comes of age in Nazi Germany during World War II. After the death of her younger brother, Liesel arrives at the home of her new foster parents, Hans and Rosa Hubermann, distraught and withdrawn. Hans teaches her to read. Recognizing the power of sharing the written word, Liesel not only begins to steal books that the Nazi party is looking to destroy, but also writes her own story.

If you have not read a previously recommended book, “The Hiding Place,” by Corrie ten Boom, this would be a great time to read it.

BRIEFS

Report an Issue

The new Resident Portal on the city website includes a [Report an Issue](#) form that allows you to report issues such as pot holes, graffiti, abandoned vehicles, etc. directly to appropriate departments. On mobile devices, users have the ability to map the location and take photos of the problem.

Park Reservations

A reservation and payment of rental fees is required for city park pavilions through October 15. If you would like to rent a pavilion for a large group or special event, use the online [pavilion rental tool](#). Cash or checks are not accepted for pavilion rentals. Payment must be made by credit card through the online system. A deposit is not required, but the city may collect for damages if any occur.

Army Depot Detonations

Tooele Army Depot is permitted by the state to conduct open detonations from April - October, weather permitting. EM residents sometimes feel ground vibrations or hear associated noise. As these operations can occur daily, EM City no longer sends notifications for each occurrence. Residents may follow the [Tooele Army Depot Facebook page](#) for a tentative schedule each week.

EMERGENCY PREPARATION

Wildfires

Winter and spring moisture result in rapid vegetation growth throughout the valley. But as summer temperatures rise, vegetation can dry out and becomes a wildfire risk. There are things you can do to minimize the threat to your home from wildfire. Be sure to maintain your property and landscaping using Firewise principals. This is especially important if you live along the wildland-urban interface...where the homes meet the wild.

- Keep weeds and grass cut. Most city and county codes prohibit grass and weeds in excess of six inches.
- Remove dead and dying vegetation, and dispose of it properly.
- Properly dispose of trash and debris. Items such as old construction materials, boxes and yard waste are fires waiting to happen.
- Stack firewood away from structures, fences or anything else that may be combustible.

If you live in an urban-interface area, consider these additional steps:

- Create at least a 30-ft. safety zone around your home.
- When possible, remove or thin the dead wood and the older trees beyond 100 feet from the house.
- Limit the use of flammable plants in landscape design. Choose fire resistant varieties.
- Limit the placement of plants next to structures, under eaves, overhangs, decks, etc.
- Keep landscaping manicured and watered.
- Plant trees and large shrubs in sparse, separate areas.
- Limit the use of trees and shrubs that have large volumes of foliage and branches.
- Minimize the use of plants that develop dry or dead undergrowth.
- Remove ladder fuels (plants that provide a link between the ground and tree limbs).
- Keep the roof, rain gutters and eaves clear of debris.

Visit UnifiedFire.org for more information.

**EXTREME DRY HEAT OR
LIGHTNING ARE WHAT
USUALLY CATALYZE
WILDFIRES IN A HEAVILY
WOODED LANDSCAPE.**



NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

Weeds

Keeping weeds under control on your property is not only required because we want our neighborhoods to look nice. Weed control is important for fire prevention, pest control, and good health.

8.07.020 Weeds and other refuse.

A. Responsibility to Keep Property Clean. It is unlawful for any person, corporation, partnership or legal entity owning or occupying real property in the city to let the height of weeds on such property grow beyond the maximum permitted, or to fail to remove from the property any such weeds or refuse, dog manure or waste, unsightly or deleterious objects or structures, after having been given written notice by the city.

B. Weed Control Standards. Weeds shall not be permitted to reach a height of more than six inches at any time or to otherwise create a fire hazard to structures or habitat for disease, insect vectors, or vermin. As used in this chapter, the term "weeds" means plants which are unwanted in the location where they are growing and which are not a part of landscaping, xeriscaping, or native plant landscaping. The term "weeds" also includes noxious weeds which are described under the Utah Noxious Weed Act, defined by the State Weed Committee of the state of Utah and by Utah County. In addition, the following plants are designated as noxious weeds by Eagle Mountain City: 1. Kochia (*Kochia scoparia*); 2. Russian thistle (*Salsola tragus*); 3. Jim Hill mustard (*Sisymbrium altissimum*); 4. Cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*); 5. Bur buttercup (*Ceratocephala testiculata*); 6. Tausi mustard.

Questions? Contact the Neighborhood Improvement office at neighborhoodimprovement@emcity.org or 801-789-6690.



Over the next 10-12 weeks, members of our community employed as Census takers will be visiting homes that have not responded to the Census online, while following social distancing and practicing other COVID-19 related precautions.

To avoid being a victim of scams or fraud, be aware that Census takers will always present a badge with a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark and expiration date before collecting information. They will also have other Census-issued materials or items such as a bag or laptop. Finally, Census takers will never ask for banking or credit card information.

It is required by law to respond to the Census. If you would like to respond before Census takers visit your home, you can easily, quickly, and securely respond [online](#) or [by phone](#).

Wildlife in Eagle Mountain: Birds and Cats

Eagle Mountain City and its residents are keenly aware of our natural environment and the quantity and variety of wildlife that is present in our midst. Over the years, as development has spread within the 48.75 square miles of Eagle Mountain, preserving the natural feel and wildlife habitat of our community has been a priority. Another significant thing about Eagle Mountain is the degree of involvement we have from community members. Residents have helped with so many efforts to preserve the natural things that make us unique, including efforts to protect our wildlife. To that end, residents have reported to the City that three young fledgling kestrels have been killed by roaming domestic house cats in separate incidents, plus report of a quail that received some rudder damage in an altercation with a cat.

In order to protect them, we must address many challenges that are driving severe declines in birds. Habitat loss and degradation are the biggest threats. We work within the City to identify ways to protect critical areas for birds. In North America, cats are second only to habitat loss as the largest human-related cause of bird deaths. It's estimated that cats kill 1.3-4 billion birds each year in the U.S. alone, with 69% of these kills attributable to feral or stray cats. That leaves the other 31% to roaming domestic house cats. This is a staggering number even when compared with the next-largest sources: 599 million estimated to be killed in collisions with windows and 200 million killed by automobiles.¹

Eagle Mountain City Code includes the following ordinance:

6.05.120 Cats running at large.

It is unlawful for the owner or person having charge, care, custody, or control of any cat to allow such cat to run at large on the property of another. The owner or person charged with responsibility for a cat found running at large shall be strictly liable for any violation(s) committed by the cat, regardless of whether or not the person knows the cat is running at large.



California Quail
Photo - Shon Reed (Note missing tail feathers)

For the safety of domestic cats themselves, as well as their prey, we urge all responsible cat owners to heed this ordinance. We have all heard the sad stories of house cats that are reported missing in our neighborhoods and, unfortunately, are never found. Next up in the food chain are the coyotes that are abundant here and, tragically, the missing cats have often become prey to their eating habits. We all want our pets to be safe so they can be a joyful part of our family for many years.

Chelsey Painter, Eagle Mountain resident, said, "We live in a suburban environment full of danger for cats, including cars, other animals, poisoning - intentional or otherwise, and the increased risk for disease that comes from being outside. Cats can be a nuisance to neighbors and wildlife. I've had my kitty, Clyde, for 13 years now. We provide lots of enrichment for him indoors and he's remained very healthy."

A few suggestions for keeping a cat happy indoors:

- Play with your cat.
- Consider adopting another cat as a playmate.
- Construct a "catio" or enclosure that allows your cat to experience the outdoors without becoming a danger to native wildlife or becoming a victim itself.
- Take your cat for supervised walks on a leash. Though this technique is not enjoyed by all cats, some really enjoy it.

¹ Cornell Lab of Ornithology

2020 Mosquito Spraying Begins

Utah County Health Department's Mosquito Abatement District has begun spraying for mosquitoes. Spraying by truck begins the week of June 1, with trucks going out Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights.



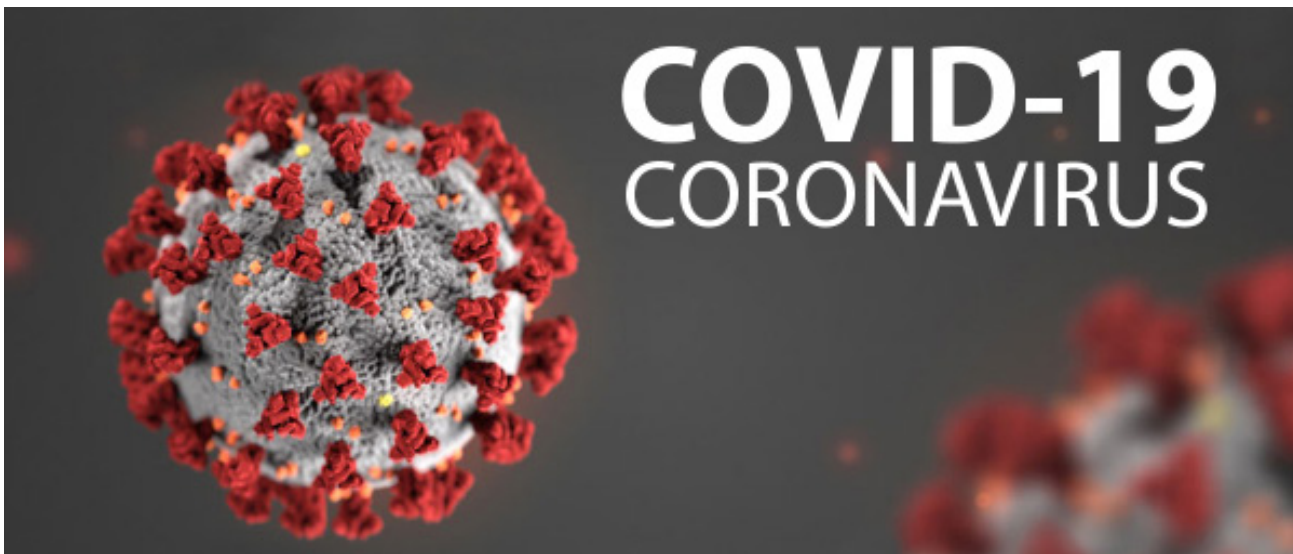
Surveillance trapping indicated there are several areas in the county that exceeded thresholds. Residents can request assistance from the Mosquito Abatement District for mosquito concerns or problems they are experiencing. Assistance can be requested by calling 801-851-7637 or filling out a [service request form online](#).

Mosquito Abatement Director Dan Miller notes that as Utah County has experienced a spring with well above average moisture, increased mosquito presence is highly likely. "It is important that people know they can do a lot on their own to protect themselves and their property from mosquitoes. Especially removing standing water like you find in tires, buckets and kids' pools."

The public can now see the areas of the county to sprayed on the day of spraying via a [web-based map](#).

Mosquitoes are controlled by larval control in shallow stagnant water, Ultra Low Volume (ULV) spraying from trucks and in emergency situations by airplane. ULV spray machines are mounted in the beds of trucks, which are assigned throughout the county. "Spraying is only effective when the air is cool and wind speeds are less than 5 mph," says Miller. "The best time to spray is when there is high mosquito activity, the weather conditions are right, and between 9 p.m. and 1 a.m." The insecticide sprays used contain the active ingredient, etofenprox. Insecticide sprays being used are labeled safe for use in residential, industrial, parks, playgrounds, roadsides, athletic fields, golf courses, etc., when applied properly.

Questions concerning mosquito abatement activities should be directed to the Utah County Mosquito Abatement District at 801-851-7637.



For the most up-to-date information from the Utah Department of Health and the Utah Coronavirus Task Force, please visit coronavirus.utah.gov.

Utah has done well in minimizing community spread of COVID-19 but Dr. Angela Dunn, the state's epidemiologist stressed, "Loosening restrictions does not mean that the risk of spread is decreasing. It means that we must continue to take action as individuals to avoid unnecessary illness and death due to COVID-19 in Utah."



Primary Election June 30, 2020

FAQs

When should I receive my ballot in the mail?

Ballots will be delivered the week of June 8. If you do not receive your ballot by June 15, please contact the Utah County Elections Division office at 801-851-8128.

How can I submit my ballot?

You can submit your voted ballot by depositing your ballot at any secured drop box before 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. You can find a secured drop box near you [here](#). (Eagle Mountain City Hall will have a drive-up drop box on the north side of the building - 1650 E. Stagecoach Run)

What if I don't want to use the secured drop boxes?

If you choose to not utilize our secured drop boxes throughout the county, you can mail your voted ballot through the United States Postal Service. Your ballot must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2020.

Can I register to vote on Election Day?

No. The deadline to register to vote for Election Day will be June 19, which is 11 days prior to the Election.

Can I update my party affiliation on Election Day?

No. The deadline to change your party affiliation will be June 19, which is 11 days prior to the Election. Only voters who are unaffiliated may affiliate with a political party on Election Day.

Can I update my address on Election Day?

No. The deadline to update your address will be June 19, which is 11 days prior to the Election.

Where can I vote on Election Day?

There will be no polling locations on Election Day. If you need a ballot, you can pick one up through one of our drive-thru locations located throughout the county. You can find those locations [here](#). Drive-thru locations will be open from 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m.

What if I am a voter with a disability? What are my options?

If you are a voter with a disability, you have several options to cast your ballot. You will need to submit a Disabled Voter Ballot Request form. You can submit your form through several methods:

- Text UtahCounty to 28683
- Submit an application electronically. The application can be found [here](#).
- Request an application by mail.
- You can contact the Utah County Elections Division office by calling 801-851-8128 or by sending an email to elections@utahcounty.gov.

What if I am in the military or overseas?

Due to COVID-19, mail to many countries is suspended. We strongly encourage you to contact the Utah County Elections Division office about receiving your ballot electronically. If you are a Military or Overseas Voter, you can request to receive your ballot electronically by submitting a FPCA form [here](#). You can also contact our office by calling 801-851-8128 or by sending an email to elections@utahcounty.gov.

Please visit the [Utah County Elections Division](#) website for more information.

COVID-19 YELLOW PHASE



PARKS & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



- Stay home if you feel sick
- Maintain a distance of 6 ft from anyone outside your immediate family



- Wash hands frequently
- Avoid gathering in groups over 50 people



- Face coverings worn in settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain



MEAL PICK UP FOR SENIORS

- Call 801-420-2272 or email events@emcity.org to order a meal by 1 p.m. the day prior to pick up
- Drive-thru pick up only from 12 to 12:30 p.m.
- Pick up at the Eagle Mountain Senior Center
- Must be 60 yrs or older or a spouse to someone who is
- Free meals Monday through Thursday starting May 18
- Order online at bit.ly/mealorderform



EAGLE
MOUNTAIN

CITY HOTLINE

801-789-5959
(AFTER HOURS OR URGENT)

OPTION 2: PARKS

OPTION 3: WATER

OPTION 4: SEWER

OPTION 5:
STORM DRAIN

(street flooding or illegal dumping in drains)

OPTION 6: STREETS

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